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Sir:

This is a response to the final Office Action mailed April 21, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on July 21, 2005. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time was filed on October 21, 2005 together with a Notice of Appeal. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time accompanies this submission. Accordingly, this response is timely.

A Request for Continuation Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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